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**ATMORE RESIDENT SENTENCED TO THREE
YEARS PROBATION AND HOME CONFINEMENT FOR
FEDERAL MAIL THEFT CHARGES**

MOBILE, AL – November 21, 2008. U.S. District Court Judge Kristi K. Dubose sentenced Atmore, Alabama resident Amanda McGhee to three years probation and 120 days of home confinement with electronic monitoring, stemming from federal mail theft charges McGhee pleaded guilty to in July.

McGhee was a contracted rural route carrier for the Atmore post office. From December 2007 to January 2008, McGhee stole over 500 pieces of mail that were entrusted to her for delivery. This mail was found in a dumpster near M & E Produce on Jack Springs Road in Atmore and in the truck McGhee used to make mail deliveries. McGhee admitted to opening and riffling through numerous pieces of mail which were meant to be delivered on her route. Assistant U.S. Attorney Overstreet argued that McGhee should receive a prison sentence at the low end of the calculated federal sentencing guidelines of 10 to 16 months, noting that McGhee abused the trust citizens place in the United States Postal Service every day to ensure that their mail is delivered.

The case was investigated by the United States Postal Inspectors Office, and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Overstreet of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Alabama, in Mobile, Alabama.